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Jan Otto Solem, et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time for response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002. With this extension, a response is due on or before February 28, 2003.

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Enclosed is Check No. 136442 in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the three-month extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee required, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-2298, in the name of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

February 25, 2003
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